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There are many seasons. But I only really like one summer. Summer is my favorite season for many reasons. I strongly dislike cold weather so winter for me isn't fun at all. Spring and Fall are okay but I'll stick to summer. It would be so cool if it could be Summer all year long. That way I can always do my favorite things.

The first reason I like summer is because of the temperature. I love hot! I can do many things of my favorite things in this type of climate than I could in cold, Winter weather. For instance, swimming. I love to swim so much that in the summer I'm on a team. Who wants to swim outside when it's twenty degrees? I sure don't! Also I hate running in cold weather. So I would prefer to sweat to death rather than freeze to death. Besides running is much more fun in warmer weather. Along with the warmer weather comes new clothing!

Summer shopping is the best! No more school dress codes means tank tops and shorts! In winter you have to bundle up so it really doesn't matter. But when it comes to summer, bust out the flip flops and bathing suits. Sometimes I prefer to go without shoes altogether! Well not in public. You don't want a shoe or flip flop tan! Getting a tan is also another great aspect of Summer.

Another reason to love summer is because of all the delicious foods in season. Fruits such as watermelon and strawberries aren't as good in Winter than Summer. Ice cream and pop sicles are an awesome way to cool down on a simmering Summer day. The heat just makes these types of food taste better that's what I think anyways.

In Summer, school is out and that means loads of free time, well sort of. In the free time that I do have I love to hang out with friends, swim, or just sleep in. The only thing bad about the summer is those days that you just can't find absolutely anything to do and there's no more ice cream left. That's when I usually sleep. Napping is also fun.

Camping is a fun way I spend a couple days of my summer. I volunteer at equestrian camp and teach girls how to ride. It's fun and I always get that good feeling now I've done something good. Volunteering knock out a lot of your community service ours so I do as much as I can.

The heat, volunteering, swimming, and lots more are only a couple things that I love about Summer. Summer will always be my favorite season of the year.

Organization/Purpose: Score 3+

- The controlling idea is clear: summer is the writer's favorite season because in this season, she can do all of her favorite activities and because the writer likes hot temperatures. The writer consistently focuses on these main ideas.
- Transitional devices such as "the first reason" and "another reason" link ideas and points logically.
- The introduction and conclusion are somewhat formulaic but are adequate.

Evidence/Elaboration: Score 3+

- The specific support is adequate, relevant, and generally well-integrated: anecdotes and specific examples are the primary means of elaboration (swimming lessons, summer clothes, summer foods).
- The elaborative techniques include visual, gustatory, and tactile imagery: "sweat to death" versus "freeze to death"; "flip flops" and "bathing suits," "watermelon and strawberries."
- The vocabulary and style are appropriate for the subject and audience: "No more school dress codes means tank tops and shorts!" and "Bust out the flip flops and bathing suits" are informal and thus reinforce the central idea that summer is a relaxing time.

Conventions: Score 1

- Limited use of correct sentence formation: "The heat, volunteering, swimming, and lot more are only a couple things that I love about Summer." "Well not in public."
"Volunteering knock out a lot of your community service ours so I do as much as I can."
- Limited use of correct punctuation and usage: "Its fun"; "You don't"; "Spring and Fall are okay."